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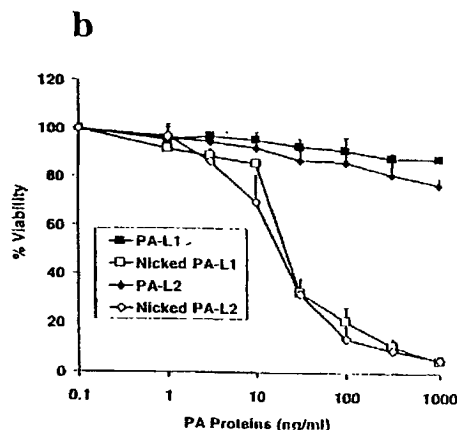
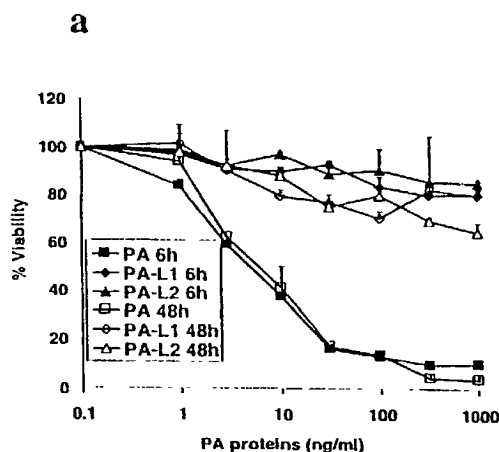
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(54) Title: MUTATED ANTHRAX TOXIN PROTECTIVE ANTIGEN PROTEINS THAT SPECIFICALLY TARGET CELLS CONTAINING HIGH AMOUNTS OF CELL-SURFACE METALLOPROTEINASES OR PLASMINOGEN ACTIVATOR RECEPTORS



(57) Abstract: The present invention provides methods of specifically targeting compounds to cells overexpressing matrix metalloproteinases, plasminogen activators, or plasminogen activator receptors, by administering a compound and a mutant protective antigen protein comprising a matrix metalloproteinase or a plasminogen activator-recognized cleavage site in place of the native protective antigen furin-recognized cleavage site, wherein the mutant protective antigen is cleaved by a matrix metalloproteinase or a plasminogen activator overexpressed by the cell, thereby translocating into the cell a compound comprising a lethal factor polypeptide comprising a protective antigen binding site.